Theatre News And Coming Events

Our next production opens October 26 — "Anne of the Thousand Days" by Maxwell Anderson and directed by Bob Wallick. In the three years that she reigned as England's queen, Anne Boleyn established herself as a woman of legend. Her tragic story makes for wonderful theatre.

If you would like to join our acting company, please come to any of our auditions. Larry Stoy will be holding try-outs for "Poncho Betty," a one-act comedy, on September 26 and 27.

At the same time, Gene Broadway will be looking at younger actors for "Bremen Town Musicians," another in our series of lobby shows for young audiences.

Then on October 1, 2, and 3 begin auditions for a joint presentation by S.L.T. and the Shaw Stage Company — Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado." Check the newspaper for details or call the theatre at 775-7521.

Shaw Stage Company, incidentally, will be presenting their own production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "South Pacific" November 4, 5, and 6.

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presents

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(In order of appearance)

Edith ..... Kathy Wall
Ruth Condomine ..... Corrine Cleary
Charles Condomine ..... David Sohn
Dr. Bradman ..... Ware Martin
Mrs. Bradman ..... Gail Walsh
Madame Arcati ..... Maggie Kronberg
Elvira Condomine ..... Marcy Heath
(Daphne ..... Jennifer Degenhardt)

Directed by Gretchen Degenhardt

Very special thanks to McDuffie Furniture for the loan of furniture, and to Josie Farris for the use of certain props. Thanks to Keyboard House for the loan of the piano. Special thanks to David Sohn.

Sumter Little Theatre is the recipient of program support from the South Carolina Arts Commission.

Scenes

Act One: Sc. 1 - Before dinner in the English home of the Condomines
Sc. 2 - After dinner

Intermission

Act Two: Sc. 1 - Next Morning
Sc. 2 - Late the following afternoon
Sc. 3 - Early evening, a few days later

Intermission

Act Three: Sc. 1 - After dinner, a few days later
Sc. 2 - Several hours later

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Meet The Cast . . .

Maggie Kronberg is truly Ms. S.L.T., being one of the founders of the organization. Her list of credits would fill five or six programs. We are very happy to have her back on-stage, lighting up the theatre in her inimitable way.

David Sohn won the Best Actor Hammy last year for "Chapter Two." He got theatre training at the University of Maryland, and now lives in Sumter with his wife, Ruth. He is a private contractor and an accomplished video-games player, being in residence at Aladdin's Castle.

Corrine Cleary is another triple-threat theatre participant. She directed our production of "Everybody Loves Opal" last season, and appeared last on our stage in "Earnest in Love" and did "Vanities" for the Shaw Stage Company.

Marcy Heath has also been involved in S.L.T. for several years. She last appeared in "Last of the Red Hot Lovers" here and "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" at USC-Sumter while studying theatre/speech there.

Kathy Wall won applause for her role in "Born Yesterday" last season. A theatre major at the University of Charleston, she is now employed at the YMCA.

Ware Martin is a character actor par excellence and also sits on the theatre's Production Board. He is employed at the Sumter County Library. His most recent role here was in "First Monday in October" last Spring.

Gail Walsh, besides being wife of David and mother of Brendan and Katie, still finds time to be active at S.L.T., having appeared here last as Lady Thiang in "The King and I." She has a B.A. in drama and M.A. in Speech Therapy from the University of Virginia.

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